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Yesterday Mr. Clayton told me the Post would not participate in what I had proposed because of its manpower demands. He assured me all I had told him remained confidential, my property. I suppose he knew this day before, when he told me he'd speak to his wife and see what their committments were. I took it from this, and he affirmed it, that he would have been my collaborator, and on his own time, perhaps.

In addition to what was in the memo to Paul Herron, I told him many other things, including showing him some, especially pictures, in the Report itself.

When he had asked me what I had in mind I told him a thoroughgoing analysis, for the job that the Commission should have done still remained to be done. I expressly said that I did not want it to be just a smash. I had offered a fifty-fifty split on everything, and he had seemed to agree with myy opinion that it should be done as a book- a report on the Report, with newspaper serialization at the same time and, possibly, TV.

He cannot let me see their clippings, but if they have any pictures left, I can see them. He said they had cleaned out their file, giving me the impression that the story held no further interest.